International Coffee Council
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International Coffee Agreements 2001 and 2007
Draft Resolutions

Background

1. If the 2007 Agreement has not entered into force at the time of the 105th Council Session, the Council will consider the following draft Resolutions relating to the 2001 and 2007 Agreements:

   Annex I   Further extension of the International Coffee Agreement 2001
   Annex II  Extension of time for signature of the International Coffee Agreement 2007
   Annex III Extension of the time limit for ratification, acceptance or approval of the International Coffee Agreement 2007

2. Procedures for accession to the International Coffee Agreement 2007 will be considered by the Council once it has entered into force.

3. Members are invited to send any comments on these draft Resolutions to the Executive Director in writing by 15 September 2010.

Action

The Council is requested to consider this document.
Introduction

1. International Coffee Agreement 2001

1.1 Extension (Annex I)

Under the provisions of paragraph (2) of Article 52 of the ICA 2001 (Duration and termination), the Council may, by a vote of a majority of the Members having not less than a distributed two-thirds majority of the total votes, decide to extend the 2001 Agreement beyond 30 September 2007 for one or more successive periods not to exceed six years in total. The Council decided to extend the 2001 Agreement in 2007, 2008 and 2009 for a period of one year by Resolutions 432, 438 and 443 respectively.

A number of Governments have indicated that they require more time to complete the procedures for the 2007 Agreement. Members may therefore wish to consider extending the ICA 2001 for a further year until 30 September 2011.

2. International Coffee Agreement 2007

2.1 Extension of time for signature (Annex II)

In September 2008 and 2009, the Council approved Resolutions 439 and 441 respectively extending the deadline for signature of the ICA 2007 for a further year until 25 September 2009 and 2010. As a number of Governments have indicated that they require more time to complete the procedures for the 2007 Agreement, Members may wish to consider extending the time for signature for a further year until 28 September 2011.

2.2 Extension of the time limit for ratification, acceptance or approval (Annex III)

In September 2008 and 2009, the Council approved Resolutions 440 and 442 respectively extending the deadline for ratification, acceptance or approval of the ICA 2007 for a further year until 25 September 2009 and 2010. As a number of Governments have indicated that they require more time to complete the procedures for the 2007 Agreement, Members may wish to consider extending the time for the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval for a further year until 28 September 2011.

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1 The Council is scheduled to meet from 26 to 30 September 2011.
Further extension of the
International Coffee Agreement 2001

WHEREAS:

The International Coffee Agreement 2001, as extended by Resolutions 432, 438 and 443, is due to expire on 30 September 2010; and

In order to allow sufficient time for Governments to complete the procedures for the entry into force of the International Coffee Agreement 2007, it is necessary that the International Coffee Agreement 2001 be further extended.

THE INTERNATIONAL COFFEE COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

1. To further extend the International Coffee Agreement 2001 for one year from 1 October 2010. However, the International Coffee Agreement 2007 shall enter into force as soon as the conditions for its provisional or definitive entry into force are met, thus terminating the period of extension of the International Coffee Agreement 2001.

2. To request the Executive Director to convey this Resolution to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.
ANNEX II

Extension of time for signature
of the International Coffee Agreement 2007

WHEREAS:

The International Coffee Council (‘the Council’) approved the International Coffee Agreement 2007 (‘the Agreement’) by Resolution 431 on 28 September 2007;

Article 40 of the Agreement stipulates that, except as otherwise provided, the Agreement shall be open for signature at the Depositary headquarters from 1 February 2008 until and including 31 August 2008;

Paragraph 1 of Resolution 441 provides that Governments eligible to sign the Agreement may sign it on or before 25 September 2010;

A number of Governments eligible to sign the Agreement pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (1) of Article 40 of the Agreement and Resolution 441 have indicated that they wish to become signatory Governments to the Agreement; and

The Council deems it desirable to enable the Governments concerned to sign the Agreement in order to enhance the prospects for entry into force of the Agreement within the next twelve months,

THE INTERNATIONAL COFFEE COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

That under the provisions of paragraph (1) of Article 40 of the Agreement and Resolution 441, Governments eligible to sign the International Coffee Agreement 2007, may sign the Agreement on or before 28 September 2011.
Extension of the time limit for ratification, acceptance or approval of the International Coffee Agreement 2007

WHEREAS:

The percentage of votes held by the signatory Governments that have deposited the instruments specified in Article 40 of the International Coffee Agreement 2007 is not sufficient for the entry into force of the Agreement under the provisions of Article 42;

Paragraph (3) of Article 40 of the Agreement stipulates that the Council may decide to grant extensions of time to signatory Governments that are unable to deposit their instruments by 30 September 2008;

Under the terms of paragraph 1 of Resolution 442 the period for the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval of the International Coffee Agreement 2007 is further extended to 25 September 2010; and

A number of Governments have indicated that they require more time to complete the deposit of the instruments mentioned in paragraph (3) of Article 40,

THE INTERNATIONAL COFFEE COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

To extend the period for the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval of the International Coffee Agreement 2007 with the Depositary under the provisions of Article 40 of the Agreement and of Resolution 442 from 25 September 2010 to 28 September 2011.